SENATE TAKES

the House in a fair and forceful manner, having been designated to do so by Speak-er Cardwell, who was called home by ill-ness in his family.

SENATE SESSION.

After the Introduction of Bills Body Adjourns.

ats were vacant when the Senate was called to order at noon by President Wickham. The attendance of visitors, however, was smaller than usual, practically no outsiders being on the floor of

cally no outsiders being on the floor of the chamber. Five people were in the gallery at the opening. Prayer was offered by the Rev. John Moncure, D. D., of the Episcopal Church, and the Senate got down to business at once.

Various committee announcements were made, and the influx of bills and resolutions began promptly thereafter. A long string of measures, more or less important, had found their way to the clerk's desk, when something of a stir was caused by the presentation by Mr. Lynn, of Loudoun, for immediate consideration of a resolution directing the Comwas caused by the presentation by Mr. Lynn, of Loudoun, for immediate consideration of a resolution directing the Committee for Courts of Justice to report to the Senate within ten days a bill having for its object the placing of all criminal expenses on the respective counties, towns and cities of the Commonwealth wherein the crime is committed. Considerable discussion sprang up from different points of the chamber. Senators were unwilling, without more careful deliberation, to commit the body to the important proposition involved in the resolution or to bind the Courts Committee in any way. A motion to commit was made by Mr. Walker, and was later withdrawn to allow Mr. Thomas, of Lynchburg, to propose an amendment instructing the committee merely to investigate as to the expediency of such a measure and to make a report.

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After some consultation Mr. Lynn accepted this amendment, and, as changed,
the resolution was then unanimously

Admission to Floor.

For the next hour or more the Senate was engaged in the first considerable debate of the present session. On the face of it, the question involved—the exclusion of the public from the floor of the Senate—was not of great importance, but the momentous considerations senators managed to see in the proposition were astonishing in number.

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The question came up on the report of the Committee on Rules, recommending a change in the Senate rules embodying the provisions of the Philegar resolution, offered Wednesday, Discussion began at once. Explanation was made that the entire purpose of the resolution was to facilitate the business of the Senate by preventing the overcrowding, so objectionable under the old system, and to brotect the members from the machinations tionable under the old system, and to Protect the members from the machinations of lobbyists. But several could not see it this way, and several even discovered in the resolution an attack upon the inalienable rights of the people of Virginia. For the Senate to commemorate the opening of the new Capitol, that the people had built, by excluding them from the chamber, was, in the opinion of several, a most unwarrantable imposition. Certain senators objected to being forced rtain senators objected to being forced sit in doorsteps or straddle the Capitol nee while they discussed matters of ate with constituents. They wished to ing these constituents onto the floor, here they could receive them at their se. The ungallantry of excluding la-es—the delicate question of what should done with sweethearts, wives and be done with sweethearts, wives and daughters—received much attention, and

be done with sweethearts, wives and daughters—received much attention, and there was some good-natured bantering of the members over this point.

Various amendments to the new rule proposed were offered, discussed and rejected. Two were adopted. The debate went merrily on, some of the heavyweight lawyers in the body participating. Attention was called to the consideration that the Senate owed to the people of Virginia not so much the privilege of using the floor as the prompt dispatch of business, without interruption from outsiders. It was declared that the Legislature at best would have more than it could properly attend to in a sixty-day session, and that the crowding of outsiders onto the floor might prevent a serious impediment, and further complicate matters. The question of whether or not the Senate floor was public property was debated at length. The report of the Committee on Rules was then adopted by a vote of thirty-three to one. With the addition of an amendment permitting a member to bring a member of his family upon the floor, the new rule, which, for the benefit of the public, is given here in full, is as follows:

The doorkeeper, or his assistant,

shall be constantly at his post during shall be constantly at his post during the sessions of the Senate and shall permit no one to enter or remain upon the floor of the Senate, during the session thereof, except members of the General Assembly, ex-members thereof, members of Congress, exmembers of Congress. State officers

WHAT DO YOU CARE? YOU'VE GOT YOUR HEALTH?

Great Natures Do Not Despair at Disap thing Else to Do.

You May Be Next

Every day we read in the papers of accidents of some

kind—
Of people being burned or
scalded—sprained ankles or
wrists—cuts and wounds of all
descriptions—
You should be prepared for

just such emergencies by hav-ing always in the house a rem-edy that in many cases will save days of suffering—

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will instantly draw out in-flammation and stop all pain from burns, scalds, sprains or

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ALL DRUGGISTS

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and Judges, officers and employes of the General Assembly, members of the late Constitutional Convention, reporters of the proceedings of the Benate, and such persons as the presiding officer may deem worthy of such distinction, and invite to a seat near the chair.

Whenever any persons desires an interview with the Senator or the clerk of the Senate, the doorkeeper shall send a messenger to him.

The doorkeeper or his assistant shall show all persons not entitled to seats on the floor to the gallery.

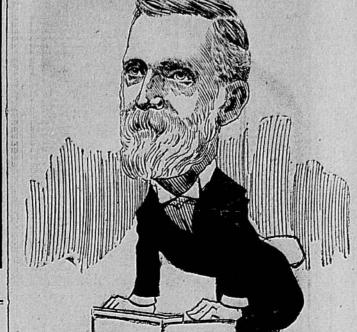
All the seats on the north side of the door of the gallery and the northern half of the seats on the south side of such, door shall be set aside for and used by whites, and the remainder by colored people. The front rows of the portion assigned to whites shall be especially reserved for ladies and their escorts and the doorkeeper or his assistants shall see that this is done.

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when the seats are placed in the gal-

In honor of Lee-Jackson Day, no ses-



DELEGATE (W. W.) BAKER, OF CHESTERFIELD.

publishing for the State Corporation Commission, and of the general appropriation for public print-ing, approved December 8, 1993, so as to provide for certain printing for the State Library.

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To amend and re-enact section 254, chapter 18, of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act, approved January 2, 1994, and further amended by an act, approved March 8, 1994.

To amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize cities and incorporated towns

The President is President.

ernment, has now been at the National Capitol for ten days and has entered upon his work with characteristic vigor. In an article printed in this paper last Sunday, Mr. Steffens clearly outlined

the plans and scope of the work on which he was about to enter. The first of his letters has just

come to hand and will be printed next Sunday. This deals with Mr. Roosevelt as a "President who is President," and the real executive head of the United States Government. This letter is of com-

Mr. Lincoln Steffens, the noted writer on municipal affairs, who, under a special arrangement with The Times-Dispatch, has gone to Washington to make a thorough investigation of our gov-

section 3158 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the method whereby any citizen residing in the State, may change his name. Fenalties for vio-lation thereof.

lation thereof.

By Mr. Glenn, of Richmond City: To prohibit the selling, giving or furnishing of any spiritous or malt liquors or intoxicating liquors to minors or to certain students.

By Mr. Ould: To prohibit the manufacture, sale or giving away of cigarettes, cigarette paper and other substitutes for the same and repealing acts in conflict.

By Mr. Row: To provide the manner of

THE MAKERS OF VIRGINIA LAWS

Mr. Caton Offers Comprehensive Bill On the House

AN ANTI- CIGARETTE MEASURE

Mr. Onld Would Prohibit the Sale or Gift of Them in

cred in the House a bill which creates a bureau of insurance within the Department of the Corporation Commission, and subject to its supervision and control. All fire and life insurance companies, assessment, co-operative and fraternal associations and societies doing an insurince, and guaranty and surety companies are placed under its supervision and are subject to the examination of the insurince department.

ance department.

The bill is comprehensive and has been prepared with great care, is the result of much study and deals with the subject of insurance in every essential detail, safeguarding better the rights of the insurer and assured and eliminates irresponsible and wildeat companies. The Mability and solvency of all companies, as a condition precedent to doing or admission to do business in Virginia, is made the subject of examination by the insurance department, and all companies and associations must deposit with the treasurer of the Btate bonds and securities, in amounts prescribed by the bill, for the benefit of resident policyholders. The department is supported by a tax of one-tenth of one per cent, of the gross premium receipts in Virginia, which must be paid by the companies. be paid by the companies.

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The department will be headed by a commissioner of insurance, who is to be elected by the General Assembly, and his salary is fixed at \$3,500. The commissioner is to appoint his deputy and assistants. The term of office of the commissioner is four years, the first term beginning July 1, 1906, ending January 31, 1906. 1, 1906, ending January 31, 1910.

At a meeting of the joint committee on special private and local legislation, held yesterday afternoon, a number of bills yesterday afternoon, a number of bills were considered and passed upon. The proposed changes in the charter of the city of Richmond were taken up, but consideration was postponed until to-day, when, at the request of the committee, City Attorney Pollard will appear and make a statement. There was no discussion of the bill yesterday. The only question is as to the authority of the Legislature to make changes of the character desired.

desired.

Among the other matters before it, this committee is worrying over the constitutionality of local road laws. Under the Constitution, there can be no local legislation that may be covered in a general bill. This clause does not affect the status of local road laws already in existence, but it clearly prevents the enactment of any other such laws. There is no division of opinion on this point. The problem presents itself in connection with amendments to the present laws. A number of counties desire such amendments, and the question is, in reality, one of very great importance to the members. At the meeting yesterday the members were requested to investigate the matter and be prepared to consider it in full at a later meeting.

This was the first committee meeting that resulted in the accomplishment of any considerable amount of work. The chairmen of the Senate standing committees got together yesterday afternoon and arranged the following schedule of times and places of meeting:

Room No. 1—Finance and Banks, Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 A. M. Robert S. Sale, clerk.

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Room No. 2-Courts of Justice, Mondays. Wednesdays and Fridays at 3 P. M. O. V. Hanger, elerk.

Fish and Game, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 A. M. O. V. Hanger, elerk.

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Room No. 3-Public Institutions and
Education, Tuesdays at 4 P. M. and
Thursdays at 10 A. M. Harry L. Watson,

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County, City and Town Organizations. Mondays and Wednesdays at 10 A. M. Harry L. Watson, clerk.

Joint Committee on Special, Private and Local Legislation, every day at 3 P. M. B. C. Banks, clerk.

Room No. 4—Cenerul Laws, Mondays and Fridays at 3 F. M. J. N. Brenaman, clerk.

Privileges and Elections, Wednesdays at 10 A. M. J. N. Brenaman, clerk. Agriculture, Mining and Manufacturing, Thursdays at 4 P. M. J. E. Henley,

of the chairman. Joseph Button, clerk of the Senate. Hon, John R. Rew, of Accomac, yes-

Hon, John R, Rew, of Accomac, yesterday offered in the House a bill on the subject of life insurance, which is of interest. The measure requires, under penaltly of revocation of license, to pay annually to shoreholders what may be due them out of the surplus accumulated on their policies. There have been many bills offered relating to both fire and life companies, and they will all be considered at a public hearing to be held by the General Laws Committee of the House next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

This Is Bargain Day!



Drop in To-Day.

YOU'LL witness selling of the unusual sort.

This store's happenings isn't a matter to be overlooked: there's too much of importance going on here. Friday is usually the BANNER day of the week-the day in which all thoughts of profit are eliminated—the day that brings to you the supreme chance at money saving. Now, come along to-day in anticipation of even greater things than on any previous Bargain Day-they are here in plenty. Among them:

> The Sale of Blankets The Women's Sweater Clear-

> The Half Price Suit Reductions. The Women's Underwear

Opportunities The Dress Goods Event The Cut-Price Silk Sale

All these sales represent positive money - saving chances. Store news that any house would be proud of. We are truly enthusiastic ourselves at to-day's outlook-wonder if you'll take the hint—Better!

This periodical, as proposed by Mr Machin, will contain a copy of every bill introduced in either branch of the General Assembly unless otherwise or-dered by the branch into which the same

parts of the journals of the Senate and House of Delegates, and such other docuparts of the journals of the Senate and House of Delegates, and such other documents as may be ordered to be printed therein by resolution of either branch of either assembly. One copy of the periodical will be furnished 'ally to every member of the General Assembly, the Governor, lieutenant-governor, attorney-general, auditor of public accounts, members of the Supreme Court of Appeals, and to such other officers and public institutions as either branch of the General Assembly may by resolution direct, and will be mailed free of charge to the editor of any newspaper published in this State, who shall apply therefor in writing, and to such other persons as shall have paid in advance to the Superintendent of Public Printing the subscription price of \$2 for each regular session and \$1 for each special session.

are removed as ordered and damages are claimed by the party owning the same, the Board of Supervisors will appoint viewers to examine and report upon the nature and extent of the damage caused by the removal and upon their report and other evidence, if any, the board may allow such damages as may appear to be proper, which shall be chargeable to be proper, which shall be chargent on the county.

Major Moses M. Green, chairman of the tion of a portico, and to this end he offer a bill making the necessary appro-priation. Major Green has held a con-ference with Architect Noland, who will furnish an outline of the work and its

The committees of both branches are getting down to business by degrees.

The House Committee on General Laws yesterday reported Mr. Glenn's bill to prohibit the sale of blackjacks in the

manding interest, and is a sample of what may be expected in this exceptionally interesting series. sion of the Senate will be held to-day, and to serve the convenience of mem-bers desiring to take advantage of the holiday for a visit home, there will be no session to-morrow. After agreeing to a motion to this effect the Senate about 1:45 P. M., adjourned until Mon-

Bills Offered.

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By Senator Gunter: To authorize the school board of Atlantic Magisterial District of the county of Accomac to borrow money for the purpose of erecting, providing and furnishing school houses in said district, and to provide for the payment of the amount which may be barrowed.

To authorize the school board of Lee Magisterial District of the county of Accomac to barrow money for the purpose of erecting and furnishing school houses in said district and to provide for the payment of the amount which may be borrowed.

By Senator Keezel: To amend and receast section 44 of an act entitled "an act to raise revenue for the support of the government and the public free schools and to pay interest on the public debt and to provide a special tax for pensions, as authorized by section 189 of the Constitution, approved April 16, 1903.

By Senator Strode: To provide that the judgment of a Circuit or Corporation Court or other law court of record in any action at law, requiring a plaintiff to remit any action at law, requiring a plaintiff to remit any action at law, requiring a plaintiff

judgment of a Circuit or Corporation Court or other law court of record in any action at law, requiring a plaintiff to remit any part of his recovery, as ascertained by the verdiet of a jury, and accept a reduced sum, may be accepted by such plaintiff under protest; and that such judgment, if accepted under protest, may be the subject of review by the Supreme Court of Appeals upon a writ of error awarded either the plaintiff or defendant, y Senator Machne: To authorize and permit the creation of estates by devise or deed of gift to which the estates of curresy and dower shall not attach.

ilbraries and reading rooms, approved March 5, 1909, so as to authorize the State Library Board to assist in the establishment of such free public libraries and reading Senator Lynn-To prohibit the kill-

to establish and maintain free public

ing of certain game in the State east of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the years 1906 and 1907.

IN THE HOUSE.

Large Number of Bills Are Offered and Referred.

Colonel Robert E. Lee, Jr., Presided in the House, Speaker Cardwell having been called to his home on account of sickness in his family, Prayer was offered by Rev. J. H. Dick-

erson.

A resolution was offered by Mr. Baker and referred inquiring into the advisability of employing additional firemen for new State light plant, and it was referred.

referred.

The House adopted a resolution providing that when the body adjourn to-day it be in honor of Lee-Jackson day. The bill offered by Mr. Rew on the subject of the taking of crabs from the waters of the State reported from the committee on the Chesapeake and its tributaries, was recommitted at the request of the patron. The session was quite brief, nothing else of public interest having been done save to introduce rest having been done save to introduct large number of bills, all of whice are referred to various committees.

Offered and Referred.

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Bills offered and referred were:

By Mr. Caton: To amend and re-enact section six of chapter 598 of the acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 3, 1894, entitled an act in relations on weight.

determination, distribution and investment of the surplus of foreign life insurance companies or corporations doing business in this Commonwealth and to prescribe penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

this act,
y Mr. Caton; Concerning the Bureau
of Insurance and insurance, guaranty, trust, indemnity, fidelity, security
and fraternal beneft companies, associations, societies and orders,
y Mr. Ould—To provide for a uniform
system of accounts for treasurers
and clerks of the cities and counties
and county and district school boards
of State; to provide for a traveling
auditor of accounts; to fix his salary;
to provide for the duties of such to provide for the duties of such traveling auditor, and to provide a penalty for failure to keep accounts

penalty for failure to keep accounts as provided.

Mr. Churchman—To appropriate the sum of 314,500 for certain improvements, buildings and acquisition of additional land at and for the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind.

Mr. Bouell.

Mr. Powell-Providing that the comy Mr. Powell—Providing that the com-missioners of the revenue of this Commonwealth shall issue to phy-sicians, surgeons and dentists, a license to practice their profession, approved April 16, 1903. y Mr. Caton—A bill to amend and re-enact section 1 section 2 as amended by an act of the General Assembly, approved March 15, 1904.

KEEP COMMISSION RENDERS A REPORT

Great August of the Control of the C

Among the bills offered in the Legisla-tuer yesterday that which most particu-larly affects the members themselves, is a measure prepared by Senator Machin, of Alexandria, providing for the daily publication of an official periodical to be known as "The Legislative Record." This neriodical, as proposed by Mr.

All bills which have become law; such